



**Report to Workforce Development Council (“WDC”)**  
By: WDC Staff

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Beginning this August 28, 2008 quarterly meeting, the council members will begin receiving a one to two-page report with highlights of activities of WDC Members and staff.

1. Leadership and Staff Development at the July 14-17, 2008 Workforce Innovation Conference. Twenty-two people attended from Hawaii, with a majority being first-time attendees.

***WDC members or designees***

Darwin Ching  
Jonathan Chun  
JoAnne Inamasu  
Steve Lee  
Robert Tom

***Maui***

Wayne Aguiran  
Shelley Apana  
Joshua Feliciano

***State level***

Vaughn Baker (UH)  
Cynthia Nakamura  
Maricar Pilotin-Freitas  
Anna Powell  
Carolyn W-Hildebrand  
Elaine Young

***Kauai***

Jan Miyamoto  
Dora Lane

***Oahu***

Marilyn Matsunaga Rolanse  
Crisafulli  
Nina Fife

***Big Island***

Blayne Hanagami  
Irene Nagao  
Clyde Oshiro

2. The annual conference showcased innovations in workforce development, including:
  - a. Recognition of award-winning initiatives, best practices and suggestions for implementation by other states and regions.
  - b. Regional transformation and development (workforce development strategies shared between the local WIBs in a State or among several States)
  - c. Strategy-sharing, especially from successful WIRED and High Growth Job Training (“HGJT”) initiative grantees
  - d. Wikinomics and collaboration processes
  - e. Opportunity to network among 3,000+ workforce development leaders and professionals. Additionally, there with extensive exhibits, and on-site activities for attendees.
3. After-action review (post-conference) for attendees and non-attendees:
  - a. August 1, 2008 debriefing led by Director Darwin Ching. The group identified many valuable ideas and had consensus to act on some that were deemed “low hanging fruit”;
  - b. Post-conference social networking via [www.innovatingnetworks.net/wiki](http://www.innovatingnetworks.net/wiki). The site contains information, including audio-files, of sessions presented at the conference. Members are encouraged to visit the site to learn more.

#### 4. Technology-Based Learning Grant

The staff of the WDC, in partnership with the Department of Business and Economic Development, assisted the University of Hawaii - School of Nursing & Dental Hygiene in drafting and submitting a U.S. DOL Technology-Based Learning Grant (“GRANT”). The GRANT proposes to expand the capacity for education and training of nurses in Hawaii through distance learning. If funded, the GRANT will expand the infrastructure for training incumbent nurses to act as clinical nurse educators. This proposal is a multi-state partnership that will be a model for other education and workforce development collaborations.

5. Existing Boards and Commissions that the WDC Members and Staff are members:
  - a. Career and Technical Education Coordinating Advisory Council – UH
    - i. Gregg Yamanaka
    - ii. Todd Apo
  - b. State Rehabilitation Council – Department of Human Services
    - i. Johnathon Chun
  - c. Project Ho’omohala – Center for Disability Studies
    - i. WDC Staff
  - d. DOE Career Pathways Skills Panels
    - i. WDC Staff
  - e. HireAbilities – Medicaid Infrastructure grant
    - i. WDC Staff